



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

SHEWMAKER *et al.*

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS  
FOR REGULATED  
TRANSCRIPTION AND  
EXPRESSION OF  
HETEROLOGOUS GENES

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Examiner: David T. Fox

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**RESPONSE AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action mailed January 23, 2003, and further to the Notice of Appeal filed July 23, 2003, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks.